



JUNE 2022 PROGRAMS

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- Wednesday**
June 1, 8, 22,
29

LITTLE CLIFF POND HIKE, 10:00 am—11:30 am, Meet at Little Cliff Pond Fisherman’s Landing
Learn how the current high-water table benefits the pond shore vegetation of this premier coastal plain pond on this 1 1/2 mile hike. Bring drinking water, insect repellent and wear shoes appropriate for walking uneven trails. Meet at the Little Cliff Pond Fisherman’s Landing at the end of Flax Pond Road.
- Thursday**
June 2, 9, 16,
30

OFF THE BEATEN PATH HIKE, 2:00 pm—4:00 pm, Meet at the Nature Center
Join us for a fun and informative recreational hike exploring a different part of Nickerson State Park each week. Each hike is from 2 to 4 miles in length depending on the group. Please bring water, insect repellent, and wear shoes appropriate for hiking. For adults and teens.
- Friday**
June 10, 17,
24

FAMILY NATURE TREKS, 10:00 am—11:00 am See program details for meeting locations
These all-ages programs are designed to help families and curious adults explore the natural world. Come for one or all!

June 10—Marching the Moraine: Explore the glacial geology of Nickerson on this 1.3-mile hike around Flax Pond. Learn the basics of the geological creation of Cape Cod and see the signs of this still ongoing process. Meet at the beach area of Flax Pond, just off Flax Pond Road, about 3/4 of a mile into the park.

June 17—Plentiful Pines: Explore the rich forest environment of Nickerson’s Atlantic Pine Barrens on this 1.5-mile hike along the Ober Trail. Learn the basic concepts of forest ecology in this unique and diverse setting. Meet at the Amphitheater about a 1/2 mile past the Park’s entrance off Deer Park Road.

June 24—Marsh Madness: Experience one of the most dynamic and ever changing environments on Cape Cod with this hike to and along the Namskaket Sea Path. See the flora and fauna that calls this salt marsh home and how this environment changes with the coming and going of the tides. Meet at the Main Parking Lot at the entrance of Nickerson State Park. There will be a 1.3-mile walk to and from the Sea Path from Nickerson State Park alongside paved roadways and a 1-mile
- Friday**
June 3, 10, 17,
24

CAPE COD RAIL TRAIL VISITOR ORIENTATION STATION, 1:00 pm—3:00 pm, Meet at Entrance Parking Lot near the Rail Trail entrance, Ongoing
Stop by and chat with our Park Interpreter about the history of Nickerson State Park and all the wildlife that call us home! You can also learn about the Cape Cod Branch and the Cape Cod Central Railroad which became unified as Old Colony Railroad and we’ll have some hands on displays as well as Park and CCRT trail maps too. Stop by anytime.

MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE

coming events



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- Saturdays,
June 4, 11,
18 & 25

CREATURE FEATURE, 3:00 pm—5:00 pm, Ongoing, Drop-in, Flax Pond Beach
Join the Park Interpreter at Flax Pond Beach and learn about many of the creatures that live throughout the park or on Cape Cod. Then go for a swim or take a nice walk around the pond. Meet at Flax Pond Beach 3/4 mile down Flax Pond Road.
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June 4, 11,
18 & 25

NIGHT HIKE, 8:00 pm—9:00 pm, Meet at Fisherman’s Landing along Nook Road
Explore the sights and sounds of night as we discover how nocturnal birds and animals use their senses to thrive in the dark. Please, no flashlights or flashing light shoes allowed on this walk as we will rely on our own natural night vision. Bring insect repellent and wear good shoes. Meet at Fisherman’s Landing along Nook Road, 2 miles in from the park entrance. For all ages.
- Sundays,
June 5, 12,
19 & 26

CAPE COD RAIL TRAIL VISITOR ORIENTATION STATION, 9:00 am—12:00 pm, Meet at Entrance Parking Lot near the Rail Trail entrance, Ongoing
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THE CULTURAL SIDE OF NICKERSON , 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm, Meet at Cape Rep Theater
Visit the grounds of the 1790 Frank Crosby house and cousin Albert Crosby’s 1888 mansion around his 1832 childhood home. Learn about the former Camp Monomoy and the Cape Rep Theater today as we make their historical connection to Nickerson State Park. Meet at the small parking area at the entrance to Cape Rep Theater off Route 6A just west of Crosby Lane. For adults.

SPECIAL EVENT

- Saturday,
June 4 &
Sunday,
June 5

FREE FISHING WEEKEND
Massachusetts is hosting its Free Fishing Weekend on June 4 & 5, 2022. No fishing license is required to fish any public lake, pond, reservoir, stream or river in Massachusetts from 12:00 am Saturday, June 4 until 11:50 pm Sunday, June 5. Other than Free Fishing Weekend, you need a license to fish in fresh water if you are 15 or older. If you are 15 – 17 or 70 and older, your license is free. For more information visit: <https://massfishhunt.mass.gov/>

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